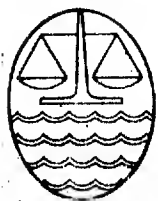




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Article 1

1. To insure adequate and equitable transfer of technology in accordance with the concept of the common heritage of mankind in the ocean space, States with the capacity for marine scientific research shall always and at all levels associate with personnel of developing countries.

Article 2

1. Regional Scientific Research Centres shall be established, as suborgans of the International Sea-Bed Authority, in the developing countries.

2. The functions of such Regional Scientific Research Centres shall include:

(a) advanced training and education on all aspects of marine scientific research, particularly marine biology, oceanography, cartography, sea-bed mining, engineering and mineralogy;

(b) advanced management studies; and

(c) prompt publication of results of marine scientific research in readily available journals.

Article 3

1. The International Sea-Bed Authority shall ensure that adequate provisions are made in its exploration and exploitation licences and contracts with States and nationals of other States whether natural or juridical, for enterprises granted exploration and exploitation rights under such licences and contracts, to take on as members of their staff under training, nationals of developing countries whether coastal, land-locked or otherwise geographically disadvantaged.

2. The International Sea-Bed Authority shall make available to any country on request, blueprints and patents of plants and machinery used in the exploration and exploitation of the international area.

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3. The International Sea-Bed Authority shall obtain from any State to which it has granted the rights of exploration and exploitation of the sea-bed under licences or contracts on payment of reasonable fees or premiums, blueprints and patents of the plants and machinery used by such States or their nationals in the exploration and exploitation of the sea-bed and ocean floor beyond the limits of national jurisdiction.

4. The International Sea-Bed Authority shall ensure that adequate provisions are made by it to facilitate the acquisition by any developing State or its nationals of the necessary skills and "know-how" in any undertaking by the Authority of enterprises for exploration and exploitation of the sea-bed and ocean floor beyond the limits of national jurisdiction.

#### Article 4

1. All States are under a duty to co-operate actively with the International Sea-Bed Authority to facilitate the transfer of skills in marine scientific research and technology to developing States and their nationals.

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